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Territory of Colorado
County of Park } ss

I Sylvestus A Safford County Clerk and Recorder do hereby certify that the within Records were Filed in the Office of the County Clerk and Recorder of the County of Park and Territory of Colorado this 29th day of August A.D. 1871

Sylvestus A Safford
County Clerk

We the Undersigned Josh. McSmith & Associates

Swan. Anderson. C.S. Andreason A.L. Lodge.
J.M. Shipler & Ned Mundy. Met on the 4th day of
July. A.D. 1861 and formed. Independent District
On the Washington Smith Mundy and Dennis
Duty. Lodge. John. McSmith was Chosen President
and C. Brainard Elected Record

Preamble

For the purpose of Securing peace. harmony
Justice and Security to Our Property We the Miners
of this District do hereby Enact the following Laws
by Which we all agree to be Bound. by Laws
Passed On the 4th day of July. and Amended on
the 28th of July. at a Meeting Called for that
Purpose

Article 1st

The Name of This District Shall be
Independent District

Article 2nd

The Boundaries of Said District Shall be as
Follows. Extending Two miles Each Way from
Shins House. on the Platte River making
the District Four miles Square

Article 3d

The dimentions of Lode Claims Shall be
One hundred feet on the Lode by fifty
feet Wide

Article 4th

All Claims in This District Shall be held
as Real Estate after being duly Recorded
On the Books of Records and Recognized

Article 5th

The Officers of This District Shall
of a President a

Artiel 6th

The President Shall preside at all meetings also Call a meeting of the miners of this district Whenever requested to do so by ten actual residents of the District said Petitioners handing in a petition or call Stating the Object for Which the meeting is to be called and the President Shall give three days notice of said Meeting

Artiel 7th

The duties of the Recorder Shal be to Keep a true Record of all meetings in a book provided for that purpose Who Shall be Accepable to all men and to Issue certificates to all persons Pressing Claims in this District Also to Record all instruments of Writing proper for Records

Artiel 8th

The fees of the Recorder Shall be 50cts for Issuing Certificates of Claims and all other Instruments of Writing presented for Record $1.00

Artiele 9th

Any persons having Denied before or hereafter filed on a Claim Shal have Six days to record the same six and he must be present six persons to have his Claim Recorded unless the same is done by an actual Partner

Artiel 10th

No Person Shal be allowed to file and Record for more than Two Partners

Artiel. 11th

All Discoverers of Lodes shal be Entitled to One Claim per Discovery and One by Preemption.

Artiel 12th

All Persons holding Water Races by Preemption in this District shall Commence Improveing the Same within Ninety days from this date and they shall only hold sufficient for this purpos and no Water Claim shall be more than one hundred and fifty feet up and down the Stream

Artiel 13th

From and after the 28th day of July A.D 1856. the Laws above Enacted Cannot be Altered Except by a two Third vote and no person shal be entitled to a vote except he has been a resident of this District Ten Days Or is a Claim holder there